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VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL AND CHOIR CAMP

This week—June 20—24, Monday through Friday

Vacation Bible School—9 am—Noon. (*Potty trained*) 3 yr olds through rising 2nd grade. (No cost for VBS).

Vacation Choir Camp—8:30 am—5 pm. Rising 3rd grade to rising 6th grade. Cost is \$95 (cost of afternoon excursions).

MEN OF THE CHURCH

Last Thursday after the Men of St. John's enjoyed a meal of quail and wild duck in Cranmer Hall, I presented a proposal to them, for a *Men's Forum on Faith and Life*, to take place over lunch on Thursdays at noon in Cranmer Hall, beginning in the late summer. Topics (and also speakers) will, I hope, be varied and interesting—from worship and work to warfare, wealth, and wisdom, each considered in the light of the Bible and Prayer Book. (We should have more details later this summer, and topics that begin with other letters than 'w' will be included!) To accommodate tight schedules, timing will be tight – talks will begin at 12:10 and end at 12:50 p.m. sharp. A modest donation will be asked to cover the costs of the meal.

While many men already attend weekday Bible study groups or civic clubs, my hope is that a sufficient number of St. John's men will commit to this Men's Forum to comprise a core we can build on. There are three chief reasons why I would ask them to commit to this project: for *teaching*, for *encouragement*, and for *outreach*.

Teaching. What does it mean to be a man? Though labeled 'sexism' or

'heterosexism', and despite attempts to reconstruct Christianity without it, the distinction and complementarity of sexes is intrinsic both to the ordering of Christian institutions (of holy matrimony and sacred ministry) and to the Christian language of doctrine and prayer. We receive the revelation of God as the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost. We are united to Christ in the Church which is his Body and Bride – a mystical union signified in the earthly union of a man and a woman. Knowledge of God therefore is closely connected to knowledge of Man – we can't know the truth about one without knowing the truth about the other – and knowing the truth about Man (our common humanity) requires that we come to grips with its differentiation as men and women, male and female. For men in particular, it means learning their vocation to responsible leadership, in the family, the church, and in other communities. The withdrawal of men from these institutions is a troubling corollary of the denial of the distinction and complementarity of sexes. Not only do these institutions suffer, but the men themselves are diminished. One might also note that the word

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STANDING NOTICES

The occasional Sacraments of Baptism, Matrimony, Penance, Communion and Unction of the Sick, and the Office of Burial of the Dead are always available by appointment, at announced times, or as necessary.

HOSPITAL VISITATIONS

Please call the Church Office to inform the clergy if you or a loved one is in the hospital.

ST. JOHN'S WEB SITE

Parish Paper essays may be read on our web site:
www.stjohnssav.org

VESTRY OFFERING CHAIRMEN

8:00 Mr. Arthur D. Weed
10:30 Mr. Charles B. Compton, Jr.

USHER CHAIRMAN

Mr. Don McElveen

The flowers at the altar are given to the glory of God and in honour of Mrs. Jesse L. Fulenwider, Jr. on her birthday by her children.

And in loving memory of Dr. Robert A. Burnett by Mrs. Robert A. Burnett, Decie and Wendy.

And in loving memory of Jennifer Liscomb Ross by Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Russell Ross, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Russell Ross, Jr. and Mr. and Mrs. Gregory Bosiak.

And in loving memory of William Finn Summerell by Mrs. Timothy E. Coy.

The Music of the Brass Quintet is offered to the glory of God and in loving memory of Mr. L. Allan Reynolds by his family.

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ACOLYTES

8:00 John DeBacker
10:30 Austin Nichols
Cord Helmken, Kelley Compton
Chris Dixon, Charles Perrie

COFFEE HOUR

Mrs. William H. Dearing

ALL-AGES CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

... **CONTINUES ALL SUMMER!**

9:30 AM--NOON Nursery

9:30 A.M.-- Child Care for ages 3—5.

9:30 A.M. ADULT CLASSES

- THE CANTERBURY TALES—taught by David Noble (Reading Room, 3rd Floor, Cranmer Hall)
- **NEW** – THE FAITH OF PHYSICISTS - taught by Jon Sprague (Chapel)
- **NEW** - BIBLE BASICS (Commandments, Creed, the Lord's Prayer and More) - taught by Mike Chastain (South Classroom, 3rd Floor, Cranmer Hall) - all welcome
- 10:30 A.M. CHILDREN'S SUMMER PROGRAM**
- For *Preschool--Kindergarten* ages 3 to 5. (Teen Helpers and Adult volunteers needed)

TUESDAY AND THURSDAY MORNING

Men's Bible Study & Discussion Groups
Tuesday 6:45 a.m. Breakfast & Study (Mike Chastain & Fr Dunbar), Parish House).
Thursday 7:00 a.m. *St. Mark's Gospel* (Fr. Dunbar), Reading Room, Cranmer Hall.

PLEASE REMEMBER YOUR CHURCH IN YOUR WILL

virtue comes from the Latin word for the male human being, *vir* (it is also the root of *virile*). Virtue is manhood grown to maturity in Christ.

Growing up to manhood in Christ has always required engagement with his teaching; in a church and society which is trying hard to ignore the distinction and complementary of sex, it is even more necessary. The first purpose of the Thursday Forum will be to provide an opportunity for men to engage with the teaching of Christ on God and Man, and thereby realize more effectively their vocation and authority as Christian men.

Fellowship. Community in the abstract is no virtue – you can find as much in a gang of criminals. So men (who, for good and ill, often tend to be loners) do need to be knit together in fellowship, but one within which they can find and give encouragement to walk in the virtuous path of true manhood. We have already two early morning men’s groups at St. John’s. With the Thursday Forum we hope to make this possible for a larger number.

Outreach. While providing the men of St. John’s the opportunity to be knit together in fellowship, the Men’s Forum will also be an opportunity for them to share St. John’s with guests. (Topics will be announced in advance to encourage this.) St. John’s tends to be a well-kept secret – “if you have to ask you probably don’t belong” – and the Men’s Forum could open a few doors. No church is a club, and opening doors would be good for St. John’s and for our community.

We are still tinkering with the details of this project, so if any of you have suggestions to make this work well, do speak to me or Rick Wright, the President of the Men. GGD

NEW PARISH PHOTO DIRECTORY

In preparation for a new Directory, parishioners are asked to fill out and return an information form, available Sunday at the Church-door or during the week from the office.

PARISH KALENDAR THIS WEEK

Monday to Friday –

Morning Prayer 8:15 a.m.

Evening Prayer 5:30 p.m.

Plus: Wednesday – Litany 9:45 a.m.

Sung Eucharist 10 a.m.

THURSDAY – FEAST OF THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S BODY (CORPUS CHRISTI)

Morning and Evening Prayer with

Holy Communion,

8:15 a.m. & 5:30 p.m.

FRIDAY – FEAST OF THE NATIVITY OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

8:15 a.m. *Morning Prayer & Holy*

Communion

5:30 p.m. *Sung Eucharist*

HONEY CREEK CAMP

Applications for camp are available at www.honeycreek.org, and applications for EYCS camp scholarships.

FATHERS’ DAY

Though not a church observance, your thanksgivings and prayers are asked today for all those men called to the office and dignity of fatherhood.

3RD ANNUAL TENNIS TOURNAMENT

Congratulations to George Miller, Champion of the 3rd Annual Tennis Tournament held at The Savannah Golf Club on June 7th. George was able to outlast the perennial contender for whom the O’Brien Cup is named.

CHURCH OFFICE SUMMER HOURS

On Fridays in the summer, the Church Office closes at Noon.

Monday to Thursday, at 4:30 p.m.

8:00 A.M. HOLY COMMUNION

Collect, Epistle, and GospelPrayer Book pg. 186
A continental breakfast is available in Cranmer Hall following this service.

9:30 — 12 Noon NURSERY (*Cranmer Hall*)

9:30 A.M. —ADULT, YOUTH, & CHILDREN’S CLASSES (*Chapel & Cranmer Hall*)
 10:30 –Pre-school/Three-year-olds through Kindergarten (*Cranmer Hall*)

10:30 A.M. —CHORAL MATINS, PROCESSION and SERMON

VOLUNTARIES FOR BRASS:

<i>Psalm XIX</i>	Benedetto Marcello
<i>Sanctus Deus</i>	Giovanni Gabrieli
Sentences, Confession and Absolution, Lord’s Prayer	Prayer Book, pages 6-7
Versicles and Responses (<i>choir</i>)	Richard Ayleward
VENITE #606 (with antiphon)	9
HYMN #266 <i>Holy, Holy, Holy</i>	Nicaea
#150 <i>Chant In C Major</i> by Charles Villiers Stanford.....	525
First Lesson: Revelation. 4:1	186
TE DEUM in <i>C</i> (<i>choir – the congregation is seated</i>).....	John Sanders
Second Lesson: St. John 3: 1.	187
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Apostles' Creed	15
Versicles and Responses (<i>choir</i>)	Richard Ayleward
Collect for the Day and Fixed Collects, the Grace.....	187, 17

PROCESSION

Deacon: Let us go forth in peace. *Answer:* In the name of Christ. Amen.

HYMN #268 (*in procession*) *I Bind unto Myself Today* St. Patrick
1st through 4th grade children enrolled in Jr. Choir exit following the Clergy Cross.

SERMON, OFFERING, & CLOSING PRAYERS

THE SERMONFr. Dunbar
 Sentences
 Anthem: *Old 100th*Ralph Vaughan Williams
 Presentation of Alms: Doxology #139

PRAYER and BLESSING

HYMN #285 *The God of Abraham Praise*.....Leoni
 VOLUNTARY FOR BRASS *Choral, Op. 37, No. 4*Josef Jongen

Everyone is invited to attend the Parish House immediately after the 10:30 service.

If you are a guest and visiting our Parish, please make yourself known.

12 Noon HOLY COMMUNION in the Chapel. (Collect, Epistle, Gospel as 8 a.m.)